



WISCONSIN FARM REPORTER

2014 Crop Production

Wisconsin

Corn for grain production in Wisconsin during 2014 is estimated at 485 million bushels, according to the USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service annual *Crop Production 2014 Summary* report. This estimate is down 2 percent from the November 1 forecast but up 10 percent from 2013. Wisconsin's corn for grain yield is estimated at 156 bushels per acre, 6 bushels less than the November 1 forecast, but 11 bushels above 2013. Area harvested for grain is estimated at 3.11 million acres, up 40,000 acres from the November 1 forecast and 80,000 acres above 2013. Corn planted for all purposes in 2014 is estimated at 4.00 million acres, down 100,000 from the November 1 estimate and 100,000 acres below 2013.

Corn for silage production is estimated at 15.7 million tons, down 3 percent from 2013. The silage yield estimate of 18.5 tons per acre is 2.0 tons per acre higher than 2013. Producers harvested 850,000 acres of corn for silage, a decrease of 130,000 acres from 2013.

Soybean production is estimated at 78.8 million bushels in 2014, up slightly from the November 1 forecast but 30 percent above 2013. Wisconsin soybean growers averaged 44.0 bushels per acre in 2014. This is unchanged from the November 1 forecast but 5 bushels above the 2013 yield. The harvested acreage of 1.79 million is up 10,000 from the November 1 estimate and 240,000 acres above 2013. Soybean planted acreage, at 1.80 million acres, is up 14 percent from 2013.

All hay production for the state is estimated at 4.87 million tons, up 29 percent from the 3.76 million tons produced in 2013. Producers averaged 2.97 tons per acre, up from 2.35 tons in 2013. All hay harvested acres is estimated at 1.64 million acres, up 40,000 acres from 2013.

Alfalfa and alfalfa mixtures production is estimated at 4.13 million tons, up 44 percent from 2013. Producers averaged 3.3 tons per acre, 0.7 ton above the 2013 yield. Harvested acres, at 1.25 million, were up 150,000 acres from 2013. Wisconsin producers seeded 450,000 acres of alfalfa in 2014, down 10,000 from the previous year.

Other hay production is estimated at 741,000 tons, 18 percent below 2013. Producers averaged 1.9 tons per acre, up from 1.8 tons per acre in 2013. Harvested acres of other hay, at 390,000, is down 110,000 acres from the previous year.

Potato production for 2014 is estimated at 27.1 million cwt, up 4 percent from 2013. Yield is estimated at 430 cwt, up 10 cwt from 2013. Planted and harvested acres are estimated at 64,000 acres and 63,000 acres, respectively.

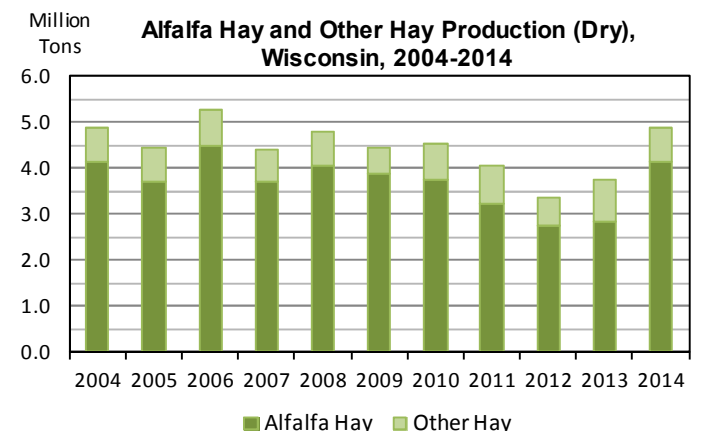
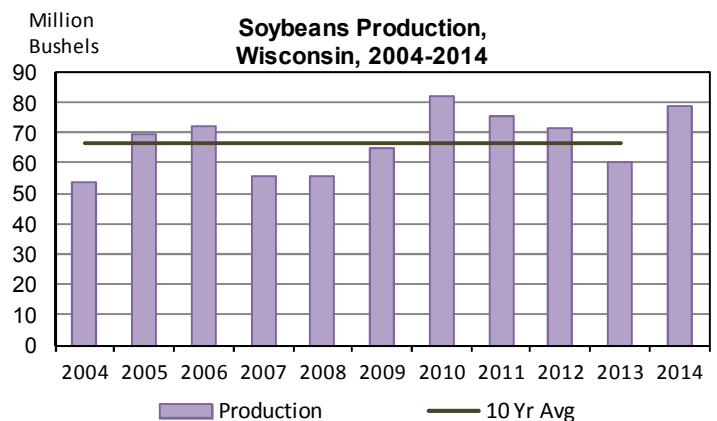
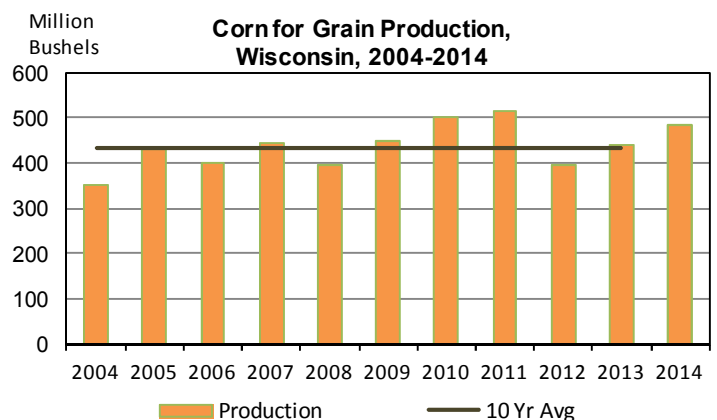
Dry Edible Bean production is estimated at a record 196,000 cwt. The yield is estimated at a record 2,480 pounds per acre. Area harvested, at 7,900 acres, is 2,500 acres more than 2013 and is the largest harvested acreage since 2000.

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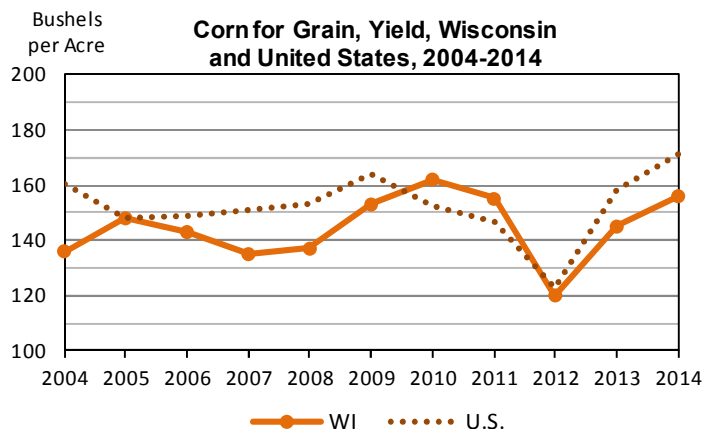
Grain Stocks
December Agricultural Survey



United States

Corn for grain production is estimated at a record 14.2 billion bushels, down 1 percent from the November forecast but 3 percent above the revised 2013 estimate. The average yield in the United States is estimated at a record high of 171.0 bushels per acre. This is down 2.4 bushels from the November forecast but 12.9 bushels above the revised 2013 average yield of 158.1 bushels per acre. Area harvested for grain is estimated at 83.1 million acres, up slightly from the November forecast but down 5 percent from the revised 2013 acreage.

Soybean production in 2014 totaled a record 3.97 billion bushels, up slightly from the November forecast and up 18 percent from 2013. The average yield per acre is estimated at a record high 47.8 bushels, 0.3 bushel above the November forecast and 3.8 bushels above the 2013 yield. Harvested area is up 9 percent from 2013 to 83.1 million acres and is the highest on record.



2014 Crop Production Summary – Wisconsin and United States

Crop		Area harvested		Yield per acre		Production	
		2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014
		1,000 acres				1,000	
WISCONSIN							
Barley	bushels	16	16	49.0	47.0	784	752
Corn for Grain	bushels	3,030	3,110	145.0	156.0	439,350	485,160
Corn for Silage	tons	980	850	16.5	18.5	16,170	15,725
Hay, all	tons	1,600	1,640	2.35	2.97	3,760	4,866
Hay, Alfalfa	tons	1,100	1,250	2.60	3.30	2,860	4,125
Hay, Other	tons	500	390	1.80	1.90	900	741
Oats	bushels	105	140	65.0	62.0	6,825	8,680
Potatoes, fall	cwt	62	63	420	430	26,040	27,090
Soybeans	bushels	1,550	1,790	39.0	44.0	60,450	78,760
Wheat, Winter	bushels	265	250	58.0	65.0	15,370	16,250
UNITED STATES							
Barley	bushels	3,040	2,443	71.3	72.4	216,745	176,794
Corn for Grain	bushels	87,451	83,136	158.1	171.0	13,828,964	14,215,532
Corn for Silage	tons	6,281	6,371	18.8	20.1	118,296	128,048
Hay, all	tons	57,897	57,092	2.33	2.45	135,002	139,798
Hay, Alfalfa	tons	17,673	18,445	3.24	3.33	57,217	61,446
Hay, Other	tons	40,224	38,647	1.93	2.03	77,785	78,352
Oats	bushels	1,009	1,029	64.1	67.7	64,642	69,684
Potatoes, fall	cwt	930.5	929.5	425	439	395,275	408,329
Soybeans	bushels	76,253	83,061	44.0	47.8	3,357,984	3,968,823
Wheat, Winter	bushels	32,650	32,304	47.3	42.6	1,542,902	1,377,526

U.S. Corn Supply and Use

CORN	2012-2013	2013-2014 (Est.)	2014-2015 ^{1/} Projections January
Million bushels			
Beginning Stocks	989	821	1,232
Production	10,755	13,829	14,216
Imports	160	36	25
Supply, total	11,904	14,686	15,472
Feed & Residual	4,315	5,036	5,275
Food, Seed & Industrial	6,038	6,501	6,570
Domestic, total	10,353	11,537	11,845
Exports	730	1,917	1,750
Use, total	11,083	13,454	13,595
Ending Stocks, total	821	1,232	1,877
Avg. farm price (\$/bu)	6.89	4.46	3.35 - 3.95

1/ Preliminary

U.S. Soybean Supply and Use

SOYBEANS	2012-2013	2013-2014 (Est.)	2014-2015 ^{1/} Projections January
Million bushels			
Beginning Stocks	169	141	92
Production	3,042	3,358	3,969
Imports	41	72	15
Supply, total	3,252	3,570	4,076
Crushings	1,689	1,734	1,780
Exports	1,317	1,647	1,770
Seed	89	97	92
Residual	16	0	24
Use, total	3,111	3,478	3,666
Ending stocks	141	92	410
Avg. farm price (\$/bu)	14.40	13.00	9.45 - 10.95

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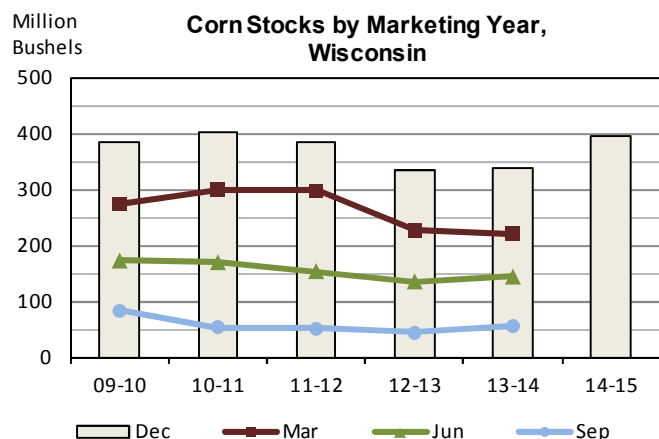
Wisconsin Corn Stocks Up from 2013

Wisconsin

Wisconsin corn stocks in all positions on December 1, 2014, totaled 405 million bushels, 20 percent above the same quarter last year. Of the total stocks, 69 percent were stored in on-farm storage facilities. The indicated quarterly disappearance from September to November totaled 136 million bushels, 6 percent less than the 144 million bushels used during the same quarter last year.

Wisconsin soybeans stored in all positions on December 1, 2014, totaled 52.8 million bushels, 9 percent above the 48.4 million bushels on hand December 1, 2013. Of the total stocks, 33 percent were stored on-farm. Indicated disappearance for the September to November quarter was 28.5 million bushels, 68 percent more than the 16.9 million bushels used during the same quarter last year.

Wisconsin oat stocks stored in all positions on December 1, 2014, totaled 7.19 million bushels, up 3 percent from the 6.96 million bushels on hand December 1, 2013. Of the total stocks, 51 percent were stored in on-farm storage facilities. Indicated disappearance for the September to November quarter was 1.18 million bushels, 6 percent less than the 1.26 million bushels used during the same quarter last year.



United States

Corn stored in all positions on December 1, 2014 totaled 11.2 billion bushels, up 7 percent from December 1, 2013. Of the total stocks, 7.09 billion bushels are stored on farms, up 11 percent from a year earlier. Off-farm stocks, at 4.12 billion bushels, are up 1 percent from a year ago. The September - November 2014 indicated disappearance is 4.25 billion bushels, compared with 4.29 billion bushels during the same period last year.

Soybeans stored in all positions on December 1, 2014 totaled 2.52 billion bushels, up 17 percent from December 1, 2013. Soybean stocks stored on farms totaled 1.22 billion bushels, up 28 percent from a year ago. Off-farm stocks, at 1.31 billion bushels, are up 9 percent from last December. Indicated disappearance for September - November 2014 totaled 1.54 billion bushels, up 14 percent from the same period a year earlier.

All wheat stored in all positions on December 1, 2014 totaled 1.52 billion bushels, up 3 percent from a year ago. On-farm stocks are estimated at 473 million bushels, up 19 percent from last December. Off-farm stocks, at 1.05 billion bushels, are down 2 percent from a year ago. The September - November 2014 indicated disappearance is 383 million bushels, down 3 percent from the same period a year earlier.

Barley stored in all positions on December 1, 2014 totaled 158 million bushels, down 7 percent from December 1, 2013. On-farm stocks are estimated at 74.4 million bushels, 9 percent below a year ago. Off-farm stocks, at 83.3 million bushels, are 5 percent below December 2013. The September - November 2014 indicated disappearance is 22.1 million bushels, 17 percent below the same period a year earlier.

Oats stored in all positions on December 1, 2014 totaled 62.2 million bushels, 29 percent above the stocks on December 1, 2013. Of the total stocks on hand, 31.3 million bushels are stored on farms, up 22 percent from a year ago. Off-farm stocks totaled 30.9 million bushels, up 38 percent from the previous year. Indicated disappearance during September - November 2014 totaled 12.1 million bushels.

Grain Stocks by Position, December 1, Wisconsin and United States

Position and Grain	Wisconsin			United States		
	December 1 2013	December 1 2014	'14 as % of '13	December 1 2013	December 1 2014	'14 as % of '13
	1,000 bushels		percent	1,000 bushels		percent
On-Farm Stocks						
Barley	(D)	(D)	(X)	81,340	74,410	91
Corn	205,000	280,000	137	6,380,000	7,087,000	111
Oats	3,100	3,700	119	25,650	31,300	122
Soybeans	16,000	17,500	109	955,000	1,218,000	128
Wheat	(D)	(D)	(X)	398,400	472,550	119
Off-Farm Stocks ^{1/}						
Barley	(D)	4,274	(X)	88,063	83,308	95
Corn	133,902	125,323	94	4,072,532	4,115,714	101
Oats	3,856	3,492	91	22,394	30,907	138
Soybeans	32,358	35,273	109	1,198,621	1,305,651	109
Wheat	29,661	32,598	110	1,076,451	1,052,040	98
Total Stocks						
Barley	(D)	(D)	(X)	169,403	157,718	93
Corn	338,902	405,323	120	10,452,532	11,202,714	107
Oats	6,956	7,192	103	48,044	62,207	129
Soybeans	48,358	52,773	109	2,153,621	2,523,651	117
Wheat	(D)	(D)	(X)	1,474,851	1,524,590	103

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations. (X) Not Applicable. 1/ Includes stocks at mills, elevators, warehouses, terminals, and processors.

Hay Stocks

Dry hay stored on Wisconsin farms as of December 1, 2014, is estimated at 2.96 million tons, an increase of 2 percent from December 2013. This is the fourth lowest December stocks level since records began in 1950.

All hay stored on United States farms December 1, 2014, totaled 92.1 million tons, up 3 percent from the previous December. Disappearance from May 1, 2014 - December 1, 2014 totaled 66.9 million tons, compared with 59.9 million tons for the same period a year earlier.

December 1 hay stocks were up from 2013 in many centrally located states due to larger production totals in 2014 as a result of good weather conditions during the growing season. However, persistent dry weather in several western states limited production and hay stock levels

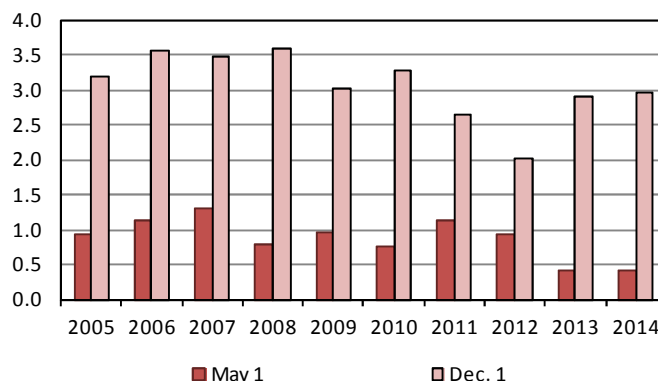
Winter Wheat Seedings

Wisconsin producers seeded 230,000 acres of winter wheat for the 2015 crop year. This is a decrease of 65,000 acres from the plantings in 2014. Nationally, an estimated 40.5 million acres were seeded, down 5 percent from 2014.

Hay Stocks on Farms, Wisconsin and United States, May 1 and December 1, 2013-2014

	May 1		December 1	
	2013	2014	2013	2014
	(1,000 tons)			
Wisconsin	410	435	2,900	2,960
United States	14,156	19,176	89,304	92,052

On-Farm Hay Stocks, Wisconsin, 2005-2014



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